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In Re Application Of:

Irwin GERSZBERG ET AL.

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Group Art Unit: 2684

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING ACCESS TO A
TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified patent application:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,621,729 to Johnson et al., issued April 15, 1997;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 4,763,191 to Gordon et al., issued August 9, 1988;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,530,945 to Chavez, Jr. et al., issued June 25, 1996;
- (4) Canadian Patent Application No. 2,221,401 to Lee, published June 24, 1998; and
- (5) Canadian Patent Application No. 2,127,940 to Chavez, Jr. et al., published March 1, 1995.

(6) A first Canadian Office Action dated January 20, 2000, citing items (1), (2), (4), and (5), noted above;

(7) A second Canadian Office Action dated April 10, 2001, citing items (1), (2), (4), and (5), noted above;

(8) PCT Patent Publication No. WO 97/04615 to British Telecommunications Public Limited Company, published February 6, 1997;

(9) European Patent Application No. 91305097.7 (EP 0 462 728 A2 and A3) to Northern Telecom Limited, published December 27, 1991;

(10) PCT Patent Publication No. WO 96/35302 to Wavelink Communications, published November 7, 1996;

(11) A European Search Report dated July 21, 1999 citing items (8)-(10) listed above;

(12) A republication of the European Search Report dated September 1, 1999 citing items (8)-(10) listed above.

A PTO-1449 form is included herewith listing these documents, and a copy of each of these documents is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. Therefore, it is respectfully urged that no fees are required for the Examiner's consideration of the documents listed in this Information Disclosure Statement. If, however, the Commissioner deems that any fees are necessary for the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge such additional fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

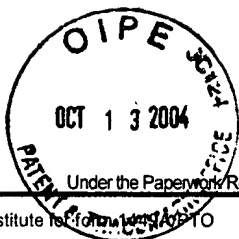
In conclusion, Applicants respectfully ask that the documents listed above be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that they be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent that may issue from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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